

**Middletown Transcript**  
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**THE FARMER'S WIFE**

Two opposing views of the status of a farmer's wife come out of the middle west. A vague statement in some "woman's column" by a sentimental writer "that it is a fond dream of mine to become a farmer's wife and meander down life's pathway," drew this comment from a country editor: "Oh, yes, that is a nice thing, but when your husband meanders off and leaves you without wood and you have to meander up and down the lane pulling splinters off the fence to cook the dinner; and you meander round in the wet clover in search of the cows until your shoes are the color of the setting sun, and each stocking absorbs a pint of water, and when you meander across twenty acres of plowed ground to drive the cows out of the backwater and tear four dresses on a wire fence, and when you meander back to the house and find that the goat has butted your child until it resembles a pumpkin, and find the old hen and sixteen chickens in the parlor, the cat in the cupboard and the dog in the milk, you will realize, dear girl, that this meander business is not what it cracked up to be." The other view—the optimistic one—can be set forth as follows: A cheering picture of farm life so far as the farmer, on rising in the morning, does not disturb his wife, but says, "Good morning into the boudoir phonograph. He may add a hint as to what he would like to have for breakfast when he returns from his automobile ride about the farm. At eight o'clock the maid calls the farmer's wife, and by half past nine she has a telephone call from her husband, over on the north-west quarter, saying that he will join her in five minutes. At breakfast the morning papers are read, having come by rural delivery a few minutes before, and the wife announces the program for the day. It may be French, music, physical culture or clubs. A package of the latest novels, a ride across the country on a blooded mare, skating in winter, golf in summer, a lecture on art in the village hall—all these things are set forth as possibilities for the plutocratic farmer's wife in this state. And in the evening the pianola puts Beethoven or Handel at the lady's finger tips. The children are put to bed, the governess dismissed and a telephone conference with the neighbors over the day's gossip is begun. The farmer reads his favorite poet, and the night glides on.

**WILL NOT PASS**

Senator Drexler's bill with respect to marriage in this State is not likely to be passed. According to a Dover dispatch it requires that a physician shall certify to the health of those who desire to wed, publication for a marriage license is required and after three days if no one files objection denying the fitness of the applicants to wed, the Clerk of the Peace shall issue the necessary license. What a fine opportunity the enactment of such a law would give busy bodies to interfere with other persons' affairs. If the Legislature passes a law requiring residence in the State and prohibiting runaway couples from marrying here, it will be going as far as can be expected. People are not yet ready for a drastic law such as that proposed by the Sussex Senator.

Russell Sage took care of his money, got and kept a lot of it, and perhaps it has done no one much good, but he kept it earning money, not doing as the man with the single talent, and Russell Sage was intelligent and industrious and honest, practiced economy, lived plainly, and if he had been a poor man would have been commended as a sensible liver. He died at ninety years of age. Perhaps nobody was satisfied with Mr. Sage because he was such a money getter, and retained possession of his money so closely, and for his selfishness is not held up as a model. The excuse for male extravagance is that it is necessary to him to keep up his house, and that he would stay out until the stars fell before he would return.

**TO AID TUBERCULOSIS FIGHT**

One of the national issues of to-day is the question of fighting tuberculosis, and everywhere the efforts of the thoughtful people are directed toward caring for the afflicted and preventing the spread of the disease. It is recognized that the plague can be checked and that it can be cured when taken in time. There is no doubt whatever that the methods now in force are serving to reduce the death-rate from tuberculosis and that the results have more than paid for the efforts put forth.

Sanitariums and the teaching of the proper regard for health are doing much, but there is yet needed a more extended system of protecting the people from themselves. Isolation in the open air is one of the best known methods of caring for tuberculosis victims, but there are thousands who cannot take advantage of such a treatment. The next best thing is to educate the people how to live.

Along this line it has just been announced in New York that Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt is to spend one million of dollars for the erection of four model tenement houses to be used by the poor consumptives and their families. These buildings are to be constructed after the most approved plans, and light, comfort, pure air and cleanliness are the factors to be emphasized. These buildings are to be six stories high, so arranged as to secure the maximum of pure air and light and to be kept clean and free from the usual accumulations of dirt incident to the average tenement house in a big city.

The scheme while not solely philanthropic is yet to be considered in that light. The rentals are to be within the means of those it is sought to reach, and whatever is possible is to be done to provide quarters of the best quality. Inside stairways are to be eliminated and the outside stairways, in courts, are to take the place of fire-escapes. All the rooms are to face the outside and there are to be no cramped and badly-ventilated apartments. The dark stairways and hidden corners of the usual tenement house are to be done away with, and the tenants of the new buildings will be assured of the advantages of the most approved home.

W. J. Bryan is going to smash all public speaking and chautauqua lecturing records during 1909. If his voice holds out he expects to make \$125,000. During 1909 Mr. Bryan will make nearly three times as many speeches as he did in the late presidential campaign. In the last few weeks he has signed contracts to make dozens of speeches in places where he has never before appeared.

The insistence on knowing what is in the sausage or canned mince pie has not yet subsided. A lot of people who have had spasms over the packing house revelations might not feel so touchy about the subject if the limelight could shed a few rays into their own kitchens. But then one's own kitchen ways are not near so censurable as those of the other fellow is guilty of.

**HARTNETT CASE ON TRIAL**

Dover, Del., February 24th.—William E. Hartnett, late sheriff of Kent county, was placed on trial here to-day on a charge of having attempted to obtain \$2,108.67 from the county treasury as board of prisoners in March, April and May of last year. A large array of legal talent figures in the case, the State being represented by Attorney General Gray and his deputies, W. W. Harrington and Joseph O. Wolcott, and J. Hall Anderson. R. B. Kenney, Walter B. Hayes and Thomas C. Fraime, Jr., appeared for Hartnett. Victor M. Danner was chosen foreman of the jury. Before the jury the State, in substantiation of its charge against Hartnett, alleged that he had been indicted for a grand jury term and kept in prison for one or two days, the county being charged at the rate of 25 cents board per day for each day of the full grand jury term. It was charged further that the prisoners had received a portion of the money alleged to have been so collected. When David B. Murray, of Viola, a former member of the Legislature, was called as a juror he was ordered to the stand and was asked by Deputy Attorney General Harrington if he had said to another juror that Hartnett would never be convicted and that he would stay out until the stars fell before he would return.

**WILL NOT WORK ON FARMS**

The fact that foreign immigrants are no good as farm laborers, has long been known by immigration officials, and the truth has again been convincingly stated by an article in the *Baltimore Sun*, showing that our large cities are over-burdened with this undesirable element.

"The facts are," said Immigration Commissioner Louis F. Wels, "that the immigrants who come here, or for that matter, who come to the other Atlantic ports, will not work on farms. They do not come here for that purpose, and no matter what efforts of inducements are offered to them they cannot keep them on the farms."

"Some time ago we sent 30 able-bodied men who arrived at this port out into Harford county. A place on a farm and a home for each man were secured. Within two weeks all 30 were back in the city doing nothing."

"Recently a big, husky fellow, who had come over about six months ago from Austria, came into this office. He had joined his brother when he first arrived and gone out West somewhere. For a couple of weeks he worked on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, and then was dropped. He came in and asked whether he could not compel his brother to pay his passage back to Austria, because he could not find work to do here. He wanted to be deported, and insisted that if he stayed in this country he would starve. I said to him, 'Why don't you get work on a farm? There are plenty of farmers who would take you, give you a home and pay you good wages.'"

"I can't do that kind of work," was his reply. This made me a little warm in the collar, and I told him what I thought of a great, big husky fellow like him who would not work when he could find it. It made absolutely no difference. He would not try farming work, although there are any number of places open for him in that line.

"And that is the way with all of them. When they first arrive here, if you offer them a place on the farm they will accept, as it is an easy way of getting through at the House of Detention and satisfying the authorities, but within a week or so they leave the farm and come back to the city. We have tried here all we can to encourage those who come over to go to the agricultural districts, but in vain. They do not come over for that purpose, and most of them would rather go back again than work on a farm."

The 30 men whom Mr. Wels speaks of, who were sent to Harford county, were all immigrants, and places on farms were secured them; by Mr. S. A. Williams, of that county. Within two weeks, as Mr. Wels says, every one had thrown up his job and returned to the city.

**IN THE LENTEN'S KASOON**

Once again the Holy Season of Lent is upon us. It comes with its urgent call to search and examine our lives before God in order to find out our sin, to confess them, and to pray for God's pardon and forgiveness. We must do this if we would repent, and we must repent before we can be forgiven, and we must be forgiven now before we can have pardon and peace in the hour of death.

Some may ask, why make so much of the 40 days of Lent? Ought we not to repent at all times? Certainly. But why make so much of one day in seven, why treat the Lord's Day differently from the other days? Many make no difference. Many use the day only as a holiday for visiting and pleasure seeking. If all go about the day where would religion be in a few years? All churches and Sunday schools would be closed, there would be no ministers even to bury the dead. But, thank God, many use the day as a holy day and are benefited by it, keep up Communion with God, and are led to repentance and a holier life.

So, with Lent, what better time for special self-examination and repentance than during this season when almost the whole Christian world is engaged in the work? Try it for just this one time, attend all the services, and see if it will not leave a blessing behind it. Lent is for all who believe in Jesus Christ as God the Savior. He kept Lent. For 40 days he was fasting in the wilderness, Matthew 4. Is the disciple above the Master?

**STATE WIDE REDEMPTION**

The Drexler constitutional amendment providing for redemption of local option every eight years, passed the Senate Tuesday the surprising vote of fourteen to one. The bill came in so unexpectedly and was passed so quickly and by such a ponderous majority that it occasioned general surprise and the belief that the House will take similar action, and pass the bill. This brought about the impression that the politicians were "unloading" the liquor question in this manner. When the vote was taken in the Senate, the ayes were: Conder, Corbit, Brazier, Dutton, Filson, Hart, Illife, Miller, Monaghan, Morrison, Reed, Rowland, Sheldrake, Nay—Anderson, Dem., Kent, Not Voting—Barnard, R.-P., Kent. Senators Anderson and Barnard are from Kent county the "dry" district which recently gave such a big majority against the manufacturing and sale, hereafter, of intoxicating liquors. They, therefore, did not want any redemption at this time.

**ELOPEMENTS CAN CONTINUE**

There is no probability, it is said, of the Legislature enacting the bill which has been sent and has been presented by Representative Brookton, known as the "anti-Green Green bill" and preventing the hasty marriage of strangers who go to Wilmington or other Delaware towns and "take the rove" about as quickly as magistrates, ministers and witnesses can be hunted up.

**CHESAPEAKE CITY**

Mrs. L. K. Barwick was a Newark visitor Friday.

Carol Woolleyhan spent Sunday at Havre de Grace.

Miss Elsie Karner was a recent visitor in Philadelphia.

Mrs. H. W. Kibler spent Thursday with Miss Helen Ellison.

Johnna Clayton, of Middletown, is spending several days in town.

Dr. Charles Karner, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with Dr. W. Karner.

Miss Eliza Biggs, of Cecilton, is visiting Mrs. J. D. McCoy, near Cayot.

Miss Grace Stiles, of Germantown, has been the guest of Miss Dora Steele.

Walter Steigleman, of Philadelphia, was entertained by Mrs. I. S. Hopper over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James S. Hopper and daughter Alice were Philadelphia visitors last week.

A very pleasant party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Archie W. Biggs on Saturday evening.

Miss Edna Arrants and Walter Arrants, of Elk Neck, visited their sister, Mrs. C. W. Cooling, on Sunday.

Miss Margaret Moyer and Wayne Moyer of Roxborough, Pa., were entertained by Mrs. J. Groome Steele Tuesday.

Misses Elsie and Anita Karner and Walter Steigleman were entertained at dinner Saturday evening by Mrs. James S. Hopper.

Misses Grace Stiles and Dora Steele; Messrs. Harold Steele and Harry Sherman were entertained by Mrs. H. W. Kibler on Sunday.

Misses Augusta Egoe, Beale and Mary Barwick and Charles Ellison, Jr., attended the Junior Promenade at Delaware College Friday evening.

The marriage of Miss Mamie Woodruff Bouchelle to Mr. Frank Swartz Clayton took place at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Ida Bouchelle, on Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

**TOWNSEND**

Miss Eva Alfree was in Wilmington on Wednesday.

Miss Elma Lockerman is spending this week with relatives in Wilmington.

Mrs. Joseph Enoe, of Odessa, spent several days of last week with Mrs. Amanda Quillen.

Mr. Martin Lee, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday and Monday with his mother, Mrs. Maggie Lee.

Miss Mary James, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday and Monday with Miss Edithwyn Maloney.

Mr. Herman Kumpke and family, of Odessa, were the guests of her mother, Mrs. Lida Alfree, near town, Sunday.

Misses Bertha Reed, of Wilmington, and Edith Thomas, of Clayton, spent several days of last week with relatives in town.

Mr. Daniel Richardson and family had as their guests on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Collins and Miss Leah Cummins, of Smyrna.

Mrs. Leonard Dickinson, who has been spending sometime with her parents here, returned to her home in Wilmington on Saturday last.

Mrs. George Crossman and Mr. and Mrs. White, of Wilmington, returned home on Monday, after a few days' visit with Mr. George Daniels and family.

**LETTER TO S. BURSTAN**

Dear Sir: New Orleans is one of the cities hard on paint; but, nevertheless, they paint lead-and-oil a good deal there. A C. Callier painted two houses last year for F. Hindner; one lead-and-oil and the other Devco. The first is already in bad condition; Devco is perfect.

M. Augustin, New Orleans has painted his house Devco three times in eighteen years. This shows that Devco is good for six years there.

In Florida, where lead-and-oil was used only a year, we have no complaint of Devco and we know of its wearing ten years in several instances. We don't say it wears ten years; you know; there are such instances.

"No complaint" is enough to say till we have long-time experience; they're coming. Meantime, Devco is the paint that takes least gallons, makes least bill, and wears longest. So much we're sure of.

Yours truly  
F. W. DEVCO & CO.  
P. S.—J. F. McWhorter & Son sell our paint.

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**Plumbing**

You are going to have done this Summer?

Call and let me give you an estimate before you give your order. I am in a position to give you the very best materials in all branches of the plumbing trade. All work guaranteed to be satisfactory. I can do your

**PLUMBING, STEAM FITTING,**

**Pump and Well Work,**

**Or furnish you with a**

**"BUTLER" Wind Mill**

**or Hay Rack on short notice.**

If you need anything in my line, a postal card will bring me to your home.

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Flour, selected teas, pure coffees and spices, butter and cheese from best dairies, choice syrups and molasses, foreign and domestic fruits, canned vegetables and fruits in variety. Also a complete assortment usually kept in a first-class store. Goods delivered promptly free of expense from 7.30 A. M. to 12 M. and from 4 to 6 P. M.

Long distance phone, 60.

Store open from 6 A. M. to 8 P. M.

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**PUBLIC SALE!**

—OF—

**Personal Property**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3d

At 10 o'clock, A. M.,

The undersigned will sell at public vendue, at the "Sandy Branch" farm, three miles west of Middletown, owned by Nathaniel J. Williams, and now occupied by Michael Dignan.

The following described Farm Stock and Utensils, to-wit:

**14 HEAD OF**

**Horses and Colts**

All of which are in excellent condition and finely bred. One of them Dan, was sired by Danville, Elsie was sired by Scotchlock, Rex W. was sired by Delbrook, and also Delbrook, Jr., Baron Lou was sired by Baron Louie, Cornelia by Du-rook, Maggie Messenger by Messenger, Daisy Atwell by Ambrose and so on, with like strains through the whole lot. Among them are two excellent brood mares, one of which has raised seven colts. Without understanding the merits of the quality of each one, we deem it sufficient to say to those desiring to buy, that this is a rare opportunity to secure a good horse. Some of them are good all-around horses and others better for driving and safe for a lady, while some of the colts promise speed.

**FARMING IMPLEMENTS, &c.**

One Deering binder, seven foot cut; 1 Deering mower, 1 Buckeye mower, 2 farm wagons, 1 U. S. corn planter, 1 grain drill, 1 Disc harrow, 1 12-horse high wheel plow, 3 Redunk cultivators, 2 Hand cultivators, 1 truck cultivator, 1 land roller, 1 Disc harrow, 1 Colman spring tooth harrow, 1 60-tooth drag harrow, 1 Pennsylvania corn sheller, 1 Chatham fanning mill, with bagger attached; 2 hay rickings, 1 hay rake, 2 Imperial plows, 1 two-horse plow, 1 seed sower, 1 grindstone, 1 farm bell, lot of grain sacks, plow and wagon harness, shovels, forks, 1 wind mill trough, 16 feet long, and many other utensils too numerous to mention.

Half interest in 63 acres of growing wheat

At the same time and place Nathaniel J. Williams will sell without reserve

**8 HEAD OF GRADE**

**MILCH COWS**

And 1 Durham Bull. These cows are home raised and good milkers, having been used on the farm by Michael Dignan for creamery purposes.

At the same time and place Jno. Dosey will sell Beauty, a light bay mare, coming 7 years old, 125 pounds high and weighs 1050 lbs, sired by Star Durack and Hambletonian, dam. This mare is safe for a lady to drive and will run ten miles an hour and keep it up. May 1st she was sired by Boxwell and Gilt Edge dam, was broken last fall and shown at Regina, a black filly, coming 2 years old, sired by Smith's horse and Gilt Edge dam, and is a promising colt.

Terms.—CASH

MARTIN B. BURNS, Trustee.

GEO. PADLEY, Auctioneer.

**STATE OF DELAWARE**

**OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE**

**CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION**

To Whom All These Presents Shall Come

Greeting:—

Whereas, it appears to my satisfaction by duly authenticated record of the proceedings for the voluntary dissolution thereof, by the consent of more than two-thirds in interest of all the stockholders deposited in my office, the American Liquidating Company, a corporation of this State whose principal office is situated at No. 310 North Building, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle, State of Delaware, Delaware Charter Guarantee and Trust Company, being agent therein and its chief license, upon whose process may be served, has complied with the requirements of "An Act providing a General Corporation Law," amended and approved March 7th, 1901, amended and approved March 17th, 1901, amended and approved March 20th, 1901, amended and approved March 21st, A. D. 1902, preliminary to the issuing of this

**CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION**

Now, therefore, I, Daniel O. Hastings, Secretary of the State of Delaware, do hereby certify that the said corporation did on the 10th day of February A. D. 1909, file in the office a duly executed and attested consent in writing, to the dissolution of said corporation as executed by more than two-thirds in interest of all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the records of the proceedings aforesaid, are now on file in my said office as provided by law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,

I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, at Dover, this tenth (10th) day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nine.

DANIEL O. HASTINGS,  
Secretary of State.

**Unequalled Reduction!**

It is a mistake to suppose that all reductions sales are alike. "Sales" are not alike because business houses and business men are not alike. Give two men the same quantity of lumber each to build a house. One build a beauty, with all conveniences, the other a botch. It's the same with Clothing.

This is why our clothes have the preference with discriminating men. This is why our Suits and Overcoats are fully worth the regular price. These are the reasons why the same old customers have been coming to us for many years. They know we have given them a square deal and full value for their money. They know we don't mark the price of our clothes from 10 to 25 per cent. more than they are worth and then sell the same Suit or Overcoat to one customer for \$12.00, the next customer the same suit for \$9.00, and so on, as is the custom with so many clothing stores to-day.

These are some of the reasons our \$15.00 and \$17.50 Suits and Overcoats, reduced to **\$12.00 and \$13.50** show so much better values than you find at other stores. Now is the golden opportunity—the time that every man and boy in the family should be clothed to the limit.

**C. N. Meltner & Bro. Suits and Overcoats,**

**\$22.50 and \$25.00, Reduced to \$17.50** This don't pay for material and tailoring

**\$15.00 and \$17.50 OVERCOATS, \$11.75 and \$12.50.**

**\$12.00 and \$12.50 OVERCOATS, \$ 9.00**

**RAIN and STORM COATS go in the same Reduction**

**Great Values in MEN'S OVERCOATS, \$4.50 and \$7.00**

**Boys' Suits and Overcoats**

Little Boys' Sailor Blouse Suits and Overcoats, age 3 to 10 years, \$3.75 and \$5.00, reduced to ..... \$2.75

A lot of Boys' Suits and Overcoats, age 10 to 15, reduced to ..... \$2.50

A lot of Boys' Suits in broken lots, two and three suits of a kind, all new and stylish, \$5.00 and \$6.00, reduced to ..... \$3.75

**Young Men's Suits**

Several lots of Young Men's Suits, age 17 to 20, \$7.50 and \$8.50, reduced to ..... \$5.00

Others at \$10 and \$12, reduced to ..... \$7.50

**Men's Suits**

Several odd lots, two and three suits of a kind in Men's, \$7.50, \$8.00 and \$10.00, reduced to ..... \$5.00

Several lots of Men's and Boys' Sweaters at \$1.00 and \$1.50, reduced to ..... 50c

Boys' 50c Shirtwaists ..... 25c

Boys' 50 and 75c White Shirts ..... 40c

Men's Percal and Madras laundered bosom Shirts, \$1.50, reduced to ..... 75c

**Underwear**

Boys' Heavy fleece lined Undershirts and Drawers, reduced to ..... 21c

Men's good, heavy fleece lined Shirts and Drawers, equal to any 50c garment you will find, reduced to ..... 39c

\$1.00 Underwear ..... 75c

\$2.00 Underwear ..... \$1.25

**Shoes**

\$1.50 Men's Shoes now ..... \$1.25

3.00 Men's Shoes now ..... 1.50

3.00 Men's Shoes now ..... 2.00

3.50 Men's Shoes now ..... 2.75

4.00 Men's Shoes now ..... 3.00

Men's, Women's and Children's Low-cut Shoes at One-Half the regular price. Now is the time to buy your low-cut shoes and save on every pair.

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Men's \$5.00 and \$6.00 House Coats ..... \$3.50

Bargains in Sog Proof Rubber Boots and Leather Boots.

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Mails close as follows:  
 Going North—12 a.m., 10 a.m., 4 p.m., 8 p.m. and 9 p.m.  
 Going South—6 a.m., 10 a.m., 4 p.m., 8 p.m. and 9 p.m.  
 For Warren, Camden and Marlboro 9 a.m., 4 p.m. and 8 p.m.  
 For Warrenton, Clifton and Marlboro 9 a.m., 4 p.m. and 8 p.m.  
 MIDDLETOWN, DEL., FEB. 27, 1909.

## Local News

Miss Dora E. Price entertained a number of friends at a "Tribute Bee," last Friday afternoon.  
 Mrs. George L. Townsend, Jr., gave a Chaffing dish party to a number of friends at her home on Main street last Friday evening.  
 Leave your orders for HIGH GRADE COAL at either Office, which will be promptly filled. Always in stock; all sizes. Phone 5. JAMES L. STEPHENS.  
 Send your items and personal notices into the paper, that is the way to help make it interesting. Just sign your name, we won't publish it, and then the article will be sure of getting in.

FOR RENT—House and Stable, east Main street, now occupied by Edgar B. Vail. G. E. HUKILL.  
 Dr. J. C. Sikes has removed his dental office to the building recently vacated by the Western Union Telegraph Co., next door to J. L. Shepherd's office.

FOR SALE—Cyphers Incubator and Brooder, in first-class condition. Will be sold at less than half their original cost. Apply at THIS OFFICE.  
 Highest cash prices paid for fresh eggs and poultry. W. H. ECHENHOFFER.

FOR SALE—I have several farms small and large, well located, at reasonable prices, in St. Georges Hundred. GEO. W. INGRAM.

High-grade dental service. Examination and estimate, free. Dr. J. Allen Johnson, Middletown. Phone 18.  
 Best quality of country butter at W. H. ECHENHOFFER'S.

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 FOR RENT—Nine room house, large garden and stable, in Odessa, Del., possession March 25th. Apply to D. W. STEVENS, Middletown, Del.

Meers, Harry and Walter Allen living near Earleville, Md., sons of Mr. W. W. Allen, have killed 7 wild geese this week. The geese were killed in their wheat field, and is the largest number killed during the present winter.

The Epworth League of Bethesda M. E. Church meets every Sunday evening at 6:45 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to all. The topic for to-morrow evening is: "Shepherds and Hirelings." John 10:1-16; Matt. 9:11-13. Leader, Mr. D. W. Stevens.

There was no meeting of the New Century Club Tuesday, because of the very stormy weather. The program for next Tuesday includes: "Household Economics," in charge of Miss Myrtle Houston. Mrs. Richard Cunniff will exhibit her fireless cooker and give a talk on "Fireless Cookery."

The Brotherhood of St. Paul M. E. Church of Odessa, will give the last of its course of entertainments in the Odessa Hall, on Tuesday evening, March 23. "Ye Village Skewel of Long Ago," will be presented by local talent, and will doubtless be greeted by a large audience. You should not miss this production.

The Farmers' Club will hold its weekly meeting in the room over The New Era office this (Saturday) afternoon at two o'clock. This will be the most important meeting of the Club held this winter and every farmer interested in growing corn, tomatoes or other farm products is earnestly requested to be present at this meeting.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered in the Forest Presbyterian Church, on Sunday morning, March 14th, and will be preceded by Special Services beginning on Monday evening, March 15th. The Pastor will meet those desiring to unite with the Church, on Saturday afternoon, in the library room of the Church, at 2:30 o'clock.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending Feb. 18th: Mrs. Mary Frame, Miss Carrie Hemmely, Anne Jacob Jefferson, (Dead Letter), Mr. Caroline Morris, Yennie Reed, (Dead Letter), Miss Mary Rose, Emma Welch, (Dead Letter), Mr. Alex Hopkins, (Dead Letter), Mr. John H. Scatgood, (owner of "Prodigal Son").

Mrs. Mary Harris Armor, President of Georgia W. C. T. U., will make an address in the Presbyterian Church, Glasgow, Wednesday evening, March 3d, 7:30 o'clock. She is well-known all over the United States, having taken such an active part in the general campaign for state wide Prohibition. She is an able and bright speaker and all who hear her are sure to be pleased. A supper will be held in the basement of the Church after the address.

Mrs. Mary Harris Armor, President of the Georgia W. C. T. U., will speak in the Opera House, on Sunday afternoon, March 7th, at three o'clock, under the auspices of the local W. C. T. U. Mrs. Armor is a woman of intense earnestness, with a bright mind that works like lightning, a command of language that is as remarkable as it is unusual, and an impetuous eloquence that seems to come from the very depths of her soul. She is a woman of rare convictions and of rare mentality, and with the faculty of forcible expression developed to a wonderful extent. A public collection will be taken.

The officers and teachers of Bethesda Methodist Episcopal Sunday School held their annual election on Thursday evening, when Mr. Minors Banning was elected Superintendent and Mr. E. G. Allen was chosen as his assistant. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mr. Banning, Superintendent; E. G. Allen, Assistant Superintendent; Mrs. W. B. Parker, Superintendent Primary Department; Mrs. W. C. Elison, and Miss Lily M. Scott, Assistant; D. W. Stevens, Secretary; Edward L. Banning, Assistant Secretary; S. E. Massey, Treasurer; G. W. Wilson, Librarian; Miss Bertina Jones, Pianist; Miss Anna Denny, Organist; Primary Department; Miss Lola Ingram, Assistant; Miss Edna Banning, Superintendent Oratorio Roll.

## FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY SUPPER

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Burris kept open house for the public when on the occasion of the anniversary of the birth of the great Washington, a supper was held last Monday evening for the benefit of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. Church of this place.

The house was tastefully trimmed with and without with American flags, pictures of the Father of his Country, etc. The work being done by the ladies. The supper table was also handsomely appointed and loaded, besides with great quantities of delicious good things for which some seventy-five or more hungry folk expressed their unmistakable appreciation.

As favor-mementoes of the day, tiny paper hatchets were distributed to each patron. Two miniature cherry trees, cunningly compounded of some evergreen boughs and some very red artificial "cherries," did duty as recalling the reminder that that veracious (?) yard of old daddy Weems' which has come to possess a permanent place in our country's history, though, being in fact, but pure fable in the George Washington cherry tree episode.

After the supper the Society's guests were entertained by music and recitations. The affair was a success both socially and financially, the Society's funds being enriched to the amount of \$16.50 over all expenses.

## HYMENEAL

### CLAYTON-BOUCHELLE

The home of Mrs. Ida Bouchelle in Chesapeake City, Md., was handsomely decorated on Tuesday afternoon in honor of the wedding of her daughter, Miss Mamie Woodruff, to Mr. Frank Swartz Clayton, which took place at three o'clock. The Rev. H. F. D. Huff, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd of that place, spoke the words that united this young couple in marriage, in the presence of a large number of relatives and invited guests, and Miss Karner played the wedding march.

The bride was given in marriage by Mr. Byron Bouchelle, an uncle. She was attired in a handsome gray tailor-made suit with hat and gloves to match, and carried a white prayer book. She is a young lady of many graces of mind and person, and she never appeared to better advantage than on this occasion. Miss Esther Banks was bridesmaid, and was also gowned in a handsome tailor-made suit and carried pink carnations. Mr. Wayne Oyer, of Roxborough, Pa., was best man. The groom is the youngest son of Mr. Joshua Clayton, Jr., of this town, and has a host of friends in this section.

The love and esteem in which this worthy young couple are held was shown by the numerous and beautiful presents they received, and their many friends will join THE TRANSCRIPT in wishing them a long, pleasant and prosperous life.

After a short wedding trip north, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton will reside on one of Cecil County's best farms, near Chesapeake City, where the groom will begin farming this spring.

## LYNAM-DAVIS

Promptly at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday evening, at the home of Mr. Harold Rhodes, near Warrenton, Miss Ann Amanda Lynam became the bride of Mr. James Hyson Davis. The parlor was artistically decorated with ferns and laurel. To the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march rendered by Miss Ethelwyn J. Maloney, of Townsend, the party entered the parlor, where a large arch had been erected from which was suspended a beautiful wedding veil. It was there they pledged their solemn troth. The bride was gowned in white tulle trimmed in Irish lace, with gloves and pumps to match, carrying white roses. She was attended by Miss Emma Davis, a sister of the groom, who was gowned in Alice blue silk, trimmed with Valenciennes insertion and lace and carried white carnations. The groom was attended by Mr. Raymond Price, Mr. W. B. Lofland, Warrenton, Mr. Richard Tarbutton, Sasfras, Mr. Edgar P. Bishop, Warrenton, and Mr. Elmer Price were the ushers. The Rev. O. E. Jones of Cecilton, performed the ceremony.

A reception was held immediately after the ceremony. The young couple were the recipients of many useful and costly presents.

## TRUSTEES OF POOR

The trustees of the New County Hospital at Farnhurst, met in session Wednesday afternoon. Members of the Levy Court inspected the hospital at the time. Included in the afternoon's business was the annual report of the superintendent and the present condition of the hospital.

Superintendent Foster reported the following: Number of inmates, white male, 179; females, 47; children, 3; total, white, 229; colored males, 38; females, 14; children, 2; total population, 283. Deaths during the month: February 2, John Harnahan, aged 34; February 7, Sarah White, aged 70; February 20, Joseph Duganski, aged 34; February 16, Michael Gorman, aged 65; February 21, Otto Baltz, aged 65, all of Wilmington; February 6, Frank Perry, colored, aged 40, Middletown; February 10, Stephen Jones, colored, aged 90, Newark; February 12, Norris Sileo, aged 76, Townsend.

The farm report showed expenses amounting to \$126.40 and the pay roll of \$460.24 was ordered paid. The board also ordered the payment of all monthly bills.

The recently appointed trustees, Frank Stout, William Turner and William Horgan, were in attendance and presented their credentials, which were accepted. Closing the afternoon's business was the annual election of officers, resulting in the re-election of all last year's officials and the former superintendent. Following are the officers chosen:

President, Dr. Columbus Henry; superintendent, James W. Foster; resident physician, Dr. Harry W. Briggs; coroners' physicians, J. W. Bastian; secretary and financial secretary, A. V. Lasky; George; attorney, Reuben Satterthwaite; matron, Mrs. Margaret Bacon; first assistant matron, Miss Emma Pinder; second assistant matron, Mrs. Mand Jones; head female nurse, Miss Margaret Whitehead; head male nurse, David E. Ferris; chief engineer, George Poole; foreman of the farm, William Jones; coachman, Willard Durbin; watchman, James W. Foster, Jr.

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## PERSONALITIES.

Mrs. J. C. Sikes is visiting friends in West Point, N. Y.

Mr. Edgar Russell, of Marlhalton, was in town on Monday.

Mrs. G. L. Cochran has been visiting relatives in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Taylor spent Monday at Old Point Comfort, Va.

Miss Emma Link, of Delmar, has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John McGuire.

Miss Dora R. Price and guest, Miss May Whaley, are visiting in Philadelphia.

Mr. Elmer Burke, of Newark, N. J., has been visiting Mr. Harry Vinyard.

Miss Mabel Murphy, of Baltimore, Md., is the guest of Miss Jeannette Schreitz.

Miss Louise A. Santman, of Newark, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Walter Beaten.

Miss Viola McWhorter has been spending sometime with relatives in Morton, Pa.

Miss Elizabeth R. Hall was the guest of relatives at Principio, Md., on last Sunday.

Miss Hester E. Willey was an over Sunday visitor with friends in Philadelphia.

Mr. Grant Rowbottom, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Samuel Price.

Mr. William H. Minner, of Magnolia, is visiting his son, Mr. George Minner and family.

Mrs. Louise Moore, who has been confined to her room for several days, is improving.

Mr. Douglas Lockwood, of Elwyn, Pa., has been visiting his mother, Mrs. F. H. Lockwood.

Mrs. J. B. Foard was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Evans, in Elkton, last Saturday.

Miss Eliza P. Cochran, of Elwyn, Pa., visited her mother, Mrs. W. R. Cochran, last week.

Miss Louise McCrone, of Denton, Md., spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. I. R. McCrone.

Miss Mary Lewis, of Trenton, N. J., spent last Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Naudain, Jr., of Wilmington, visited his mother, Mrs. R. L. Naudain, this week.

Mr. Charles Pratt, who has been critically ill for the past two weeks, is greatly improved at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Crouch, of Wilmington, spent several days the first of the week with relatives here.

Mr. Warren Elliott, of Wilmington, was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Massey over last Sunday.

Mr. Emory W. Hukill, of Mercersburg, Pa., is spending sometime with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Hukill.

Mr. John J. Hofferker, of Philadelphia, spent Washington's birthday at the home of his father, Mr. J. R. Hofferker.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hurn and son, of Elkton, Md., spent several days this week with Mr. T. E. Hurn and family.

Mrs. Jonathan Letherberry, one of Middletown's oldest residents, is critically ill at his home on East Main street.

Mrs. Ernest G. Winkle and little daughter Sylvia, of West Chester, Pa., are visiting her mother, Mrs. Louise Moore.

Mrs. H. P. Shapley and two children, of Smyrna, spent several days this week with her mother, Mrs. Julia Holten.

Meers, John S. Crouch, Jesse L. Shepherd and Dr. J. C. Sikes have returned from a brief sojourn at Atlantic City.

Miss May McFall spent Washington's birthday with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. D. F. McFall, at their home in Wyoming.

The Rev. F. H. Moore visited Smyrna on Friday of last week and lectured on "Alaska" before the Woman's Century Club.

Mrs. H. A. Pool, of McDonough, has returned home, after a visit with her brother, Warren Cochran, in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. E. P. Moody and Miss Elizabeth Blankin, of Wilmington, were guests of Mrs. Bessie Chamberlain several days this week.

Mrs. D. P. Barnard and two children, of Wilmington, spent Washington's birthday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Reynolds.

Mr. Lloyd Braden left Wednesday for Philadelphia, where he has accepted a position with the Union Central Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mrs. A. Fogel and Miss R. E. Colp, who will return for the spring season as head milliner and trimmer for A. Fogel, are attending the wholesale spring openings in Philadelphia this week.

Mr. George L. Townsend, Sr., who has been in the Presbyterian Hospital in Philadelphia for several weeks, has recovered sufficiently to return home on Tuesday, and his numerous friends will be pleased to learn that the attending physician at the hospital has assured Mr. Townsend that in a few weeks he will be enjoying his usual good health.

CONFERENCE MEMBERS ROLL

The Rev. James T. VanBurklow was not the last surviving member of the original body of the Wilmington Annual Conference. In the roll of membership at its first session which was held March 7th, 1869 in Wilmington we still count thirteen as follows: W. M. Warner, E. E. White, H. S. Thompson, A. T. Scott, P. H. Rawlins, W. W. Redman, C. W. Prentissman, T. E. Martindale, T. B. Hunter, L. G. Foonoch, James Carroll, G. S. Conaway and George W. Burke. Five of these, Foonoch, Hunter, Martindale, Prentissman and White are still in the effective work. But death is now rapidly thinning our rank.—George W. Burke.

SHORTER STILL

Middletown, Del., Feb. 22d, 1909.

Editor of THE TRANSCRIPT, Dear Sir:—

In the issue of your paper of the 20th, you give a sentence of eight words containing all the letters of the alphabet, claiming to be the shortest. This calls to my mind one that I saw years ago, and that will beat it two words, and also shorter by four letters. And in view of the anti-seasonal sentiment in this town, I think it would be of interest to many of your readers. Here it is: Frowzy quacks, vex, jump and blight. Respectfully submitted by

No. 40001ST.

## OBITUARY.

### HENRY D. ROBERTS

One of the most untimely deaths that has occurred in this section for many years was that of Henry D. Roberts, of this town, a former lawyer, now more than four score years of age, but still engaged in making frequent surveying lines. Henry Roberts was a successful farmer, his judgment and advice being considered second to none among farmers. He was especially proud of his fine stock and was the owner of a herd of very fine dairy cattle.

The news of his death caused a deep feeling of sadness among all who knew him. Out down when least expected and yet a comparatively young man full of promise of years of usefulness, with everything to live for, his death is truly sad. He was the son of Joseph Roberts, of this town, a former lawyer, now more than four score years of age, but still engaged in making frequent surveying lines. Henry Roberts was a successful farmer, his judgment and advice being considered second to none among farmers. He was especially proud of his fine stock and was the owner of a herd of very fine dairy cattle.

Mr. Roberts is survived by his wife, who previous to her marriage was Miss Emily J. Boyer, of Millington, Md., and two sons, Irving, aged 17 years and Harry Benson, aged 6 years, and one sister, Mrs. Laura Trux, of Wilmington. The funeral took place from his late residence near Mt. Pleasant, Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock, interment being made in Forest Cemetery. The pall-bearers were Andrew S. Elison, B. Vance Armstrong, Harry Brady, William Beck, James L. Warren and Harry S. Beaten.

MRS. WIEMINA GEARS

The sudden death of Mrs. Wilmina Gears, wife of Harry E. Gears, who died at the Hahnemann Hospital, in Philadelphia Saturday morning of last week, was a great shock to her relatives and numerous friends, as many of our people did not know of her illness. Mrs. Gears was in her 43d year and besides her husband leaves one son, her father and two sisters to mourn her death. Mrs. Gears was a daughter of Martin Moody, a resident of Middletown, and was highly respected by her neighbors and friends. The remains were brought to Middletown on Sunday morning, and the funeral services were held at her late residence, on East Main street, on Tuesday afternoon, Rev. G. P. Jones, assisted by Rev. William Hutchins, having charge of the ceremonies. Interment was made in Forest Cemetery.

The pall-bearers were: Robt. B. Jones, D. W. Stevens, W. C. Elison, Colonel Crouch, J. Elwood Denny and Minors Banning.

## ODESSA

Rev. R. L. Hallett spent a few days last week in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Herman Kumpel entertained her sister, Miss Addie Alfrey, of the Levels, and cousin, Mrs. J. H. Dickinson, of Wilmington.

Mrs. Brackets has returned home, after spending a few days in Westville, N. J.

Mrs. S. Warren, of Camden, N. J., is spending this week with Miss H. Fox.

Miss Martha Evans is spending this week with her mother, Mrs. Julia Holten.

Mrs. J. W. Watkins has returned home, after spending several weeks with relatives in Philadelphia.

Mr. Harry Ward was in Philadelphia a few days this week.

Mrs. John Heldmyer is spending this week in Philadelphia.

Miss Anne Hallett is the guest of her brother, Rev. R. L. Hallett.

Miss Lizzie Morris has returned home, after spending sometime with friends in Wilmington.

Miss Minnie Armstrong entertained Misses Benah Cleaver and Reba Burgess, of Wilmington, a few days last week.

Miss Alice McCoy is spending this week with her sister at Galena, Md.

On Tuesday evening, March 23d, the last of the series of entertainments given by the Methodist Brotherhood of St. Paul M. E. Church will be given in the Town Hall, and will be a two act comedy entitled "Ye Village Skewel of Long Ago."

During the session the school will be visited by Deacon Josiah Partridge and wife, Ezekiel Shooks, Zebedee VanPelt and ladies. Skewel opens promptly at 7:45 P. M. A pleasant feature of the evening entertainment will be music by a quartette of stringed instruments. Immediately after the entertainment refreshments consisting of ice cream, cake, coffee, and sandwiches will be served by the scholars. Everyone is cordially invited to be present and enjoy the evening.

WARWICK

Mr. Julian Tobias was a visitor in town Sunday and Monday.

C. E. prayer service Sunday at 7:30 o'clock. All are invited.

The infant of Mr. A. M. Crawford is very much improved at this writing.

Mrs. Elwood Williams, of McDonough, visited Mrs. W. H. Merritt last Sunday.

Mrs. Sallie Gunkle visited her daughter, Mrs. John B. H. Price, this week.

Mrs. E. M. Holden and Miss Eva Holden visited Chesapeake City relatives on Sunday.

Washington Camp, No. 8, P. O. S. of A. meets each Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Miss Elvora B. Finley, of Wilmington, was the guest of Mrs. Wilson Merritt on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Vinyard spent Sunday with Mrs. Kenneth Price, near Cecilton.

Mr. and Mrs. James Vinyard were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. Manlove on Thursday.

Miss S. E. Vinyard was unable to attend to her school duties part of last week, owing to illness.

Mrs. John F. Ernest, of Sasfras, was a brief visitor at the home of Mrs. Sallie Gunkel on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Manlove were the guests of Mr. S. P. Hoover and family, in Cecilton, on Sunday.

There will be preaching at the M. P. Church to-morrow morning at 10:30. Rev. C. M. Callum pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Merritt were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Stephens, near Cecilton, last Sunday.

SALES TO TAKE PLACE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3d, 1909.—Public Sale of stock and farming implements, by Martin B. Burris, Trustee for Michael Dignan, at the "Sandy Branch" farm, owned by Nathl. J. Williams, three miles west of Middletown.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY S. R. FOARD.

Wheat—No. 1 \$1.18 Corn—

No. 2 Yellow, shelled 67 Timothy Seed \$2.50 70

Oats—112 70 Middletown Produce Market.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEY.

Eggs, per doz. 20.22 Country Butter, per lb. 20.34

Creamery Butter, per lb. 37 Lard, per lb. 11.12

Live Chickens, per lb. 12.14 Potatoes, 80

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## THE WRECK AT DELMAR

### Peninsula Express Crashes Into Two Mile Engines

Seven train and mail clerks were burned to death, some beyond recognition—two other persons were badly injured and a number of others were shaken up when the first section of the southbound New York and Norfolk express, No. 49, composed of 11 cars, crashed into two locomotives 200 yards north of the Delmar station at 2:50 Monday morning. The train was crowded with persons on their way to see the battleships.

The wreck is the most disastrous in the history of the Delaware division of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

An express car and a combination mail and baggage car took fire and were consumed. The victims, all of whom were in these two cars, were burned like rats in a trap.

It was announced definitely that the cause of the wreck was the failure of a flagman to go back from No. 49 to the rear-most of the two engines which were on the track, and warn the approaching train.

The dead are:

John D. McCready, 58 years old, of Wilmington, baggage-master, leaves a widow and three children.

John W. Wood, 30 years old, of Wilmington, mail clerk, leaves a young son.

George Davis, 32 years old, of Seaford, Del., an engineer who was riding in a baggage car, leaves a widow and three children.

Harvey L. Wilhelm, of New Castle, Del., mail weigher; leaves a widow and an infant son.

W. Oliver Perry, of Cambridge, Md., express messenger.

William R. Coch



